

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING AND THE COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee on Aging and the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship be authorized to meet for a joint hearing during the session of the Senate on February 12, 2014, to conduct a hearing entitled "In Search of a Second Act: The Challenges and Advantages of Senior Entrepreneurship," in room SD-562 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building beginning at 10 a.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Maj. Leslie L. Semrau, a U.S. Air Force officer, who is currently serving as my defense legislative fellow this year, be granted floor privileges for the duration of S. 1982, the Comprehensive Veterans Health and Benefits and Military Pay Restoration Act of 2014.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

#### EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the following nominations: Calendar Nos. 597, 598, 601, 602, 603, with the exception of COL Mark A. Baird and COL Robert W. Stanley II; and Nos. 604, 605, with the exception of COL Andrew E. Salas; No. 606, with the exception of BG Jon K. Kelk; and Nos. 607, 608, 609, 610, and 611, and all nominations on the Secretary's desk in the Air Force and Army; that the nominations be confirmed en bloc; the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate; that no further motions be in order to any of the nominations; that any related statements be printed in the RECORD; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action and the Senate then resume legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nominations considered and confirmed are as follows:

#### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Brad R. Carson, of Oklahoma, to be Under Secretary of the Army.

William A. LaPlante, Jr., of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force.

#### IN THE AIR FORCE

The following Air National Guard of the United States officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Air Force to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 12203 and 12212:

#### To be major general

Brig. Gen. William D. Cobetto

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the

grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

#### To be major general

Brig. Gen. Bart O. Iddins

The following named officers for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

#### To be brigadier general

Colonel Roy-Alan C. Agustin  
Colonel Robert G. Armfield  
Colonel Dieter E. Bareihs  
Colonel Mitchel H. Butikofer  
Colonel Mark D. Camerer  
Colonel Douglas A. Cox  
Colonel Stephen L. Davis  
Colonel Eric T. Fick  
Colonel Keith M. Givens  
Colonel Paul H. Guemmer  
Colonel Gregory M. Guillot  
Colonel Gregory M. Guterman  
Colonel Darren E. Hartford  
Colonel David W. Hicks  
Colonel Brian T. Kelly  
Colonel David A. Krumm  
Colonel Peter J. Lambert  
Colonel Evan M. Miller  
Colonel Thomas E. Murphy  
Colonel David S. Nahom  
Colonel Mary F. O'Brien  
Colonel Stephen W. Oliver, Jr.  
Colonel Scott L. Pleus  
Colonel John T. Rauch, Jr.  
Colonel Christopher M. Short  
Colonel Kirk W. Smith  
Colonel Mark E. Weatherington  
Colonel Stephen C. Williams

The following Air National Guard of the United States officers for appointment in the Reserve of the Air Force to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 12203 and 12212:

#### To be brigadier general

Colonel Dennis J. Gallegos  
Colonel David D. Hamlar, Jr.  
Colonel John S. Tuohy

The following Air National Guard of the United States officers for appointment in the Reserve of the Air Force to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 12203 and 12212:

#### To be brigadier general

Colonel Paul D. Jacobs  
Colonel Timothy P. O'Brien

The following Air National Guard of the United States officers for appointment in the Reserve of the Air Force to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 12203 and 12212:

#### To be major general

Brigadier General Cassie A. Strom  
Brigadier General Kenneth W. Wisian

The following Air National Guard of the United States officers for appointment in the Reserve of the Air Force to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 12203 and 12212:

#### To be major general

Brigadier General Daryl L. Bohac  
Brigadier General Robert M. Branyon  
Brigadier General Michael B. Compton  
Brigadier General James E. Daniel, Jr.  
Brigadier General Matthew J. Dzialo  
Brigadier General Richard N. Harris, Jr.  
Brigadier General Worth S. Holt, Jr.  
Brigadier General Gary W. Keefe  
Brigadier General David T. Kelly  
Brigadier General Donald A. McGregor  
Brigadier General Robert L. Shannon, Jr.  
Brigadier General Robert S. Williams

The following named officers for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

#### To be major general

Brigadier General Christopher J. Bence  
Brigadier General Jack L. Briggs, II  
Brigadier General David J. Buck  
Brigadier General Thomas A. Bussiere  
Brigadier General Stephen A. Clark  
Brigadier General Stephen T. Denker  
Brigadier General John L. Dolan  
Brigadier General Michael E. Fortney  
Brigadier General Peter E. Gersten  
Brigadier General Gina M. Grosso  
Brigadier General Jerry D. Harris, Jr.  
Brigadier General Daryl J. Hauck  
Brigadier General John M. Hicks  
Brigadier General John P. Horner  
Brigadier General James R. Marrs  
Brigadier General Lawrence M. Martin, Jr.  
Brigadier General John K. McMullen  
Brigadier General Bradford J. Shwedo  
Brigadier General Jay B. Silveria  
Brigadier General Linda R. Urrutia-Varhall  
Brigadier General Jacqueline D. Van Ovost  
Brigadier General Mark W. Westergren

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

#### To be brigadier general

Col. Paul W. Tibbets, IV

#### IN THE ARMY

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

#### To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. David D. Halverson

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 624, 3037, and 3064:

#### To be brigadier general, judge advocate general's corps

Col. Stuart W. Risch

#### NOMINATIONS PLACED ON THE SECRETARY'S DESK

#### IN THE AIR FORCE—C-PN

PN1303 AIR FORCE nomination of Teresa G. Paris, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 7, 2014.

PN1304 AIR FORCE nomination of Joel K. Warren, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 7, 2014.

PN1305 AIR FORCE nominations (2) beginning JEFFREY P. TAN, and ending CRISTALLE A. COX, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 7, 2014.

PN1306 AIR FORCE nominations (17) beginning ROBERT D. COXWELL, and ending SCOT L. WILLIAMS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 7, 2014.

PN1328 AIR FORCE nominations (14) beginning THERESE A. BOHUSCH, and ending JAMES A. STEPHENSON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 9, 2014.

PN1331 AIR FORCE nominations (49) beginning RICHARD T. BARKER, and ending IAN P. WIECHERT, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 9, 2014.

PN1333 AIR FORCE nominations (77) beginning JENARA L. ALLEN, and ending DERICK A. ZECH, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 9, 2014.

PN1334 AIR FORCE nominations (123) beginning ERIN E. ARTZ, and ending TODD K. ZUBER, which nominations were received by